

Richard Howe

Richard Howe, former professor of music at Grinnell College and retired dean of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, died Sunday, April 4, of cancer at his home in San Rafael, Calif.

Private services were held Thursday, April 8, in Mill Valley, Calif. Memorials may be made to the San Francisco Conservatory of Music's scholarship fund or to the Marin Humane Society.

He was born April 30, 1927, in Murray, Utah, and studied at the University of Utah. He received the bachelor of science and master of science degrees from the Juilliard School of Music, New York, N. Y., and the doctor of musical arts degree from the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y. As the recipient of two Fulbright Awards, he also studied musicology at the University of Florence, Italy.

He was a member of the faculty of Grinnell College from 1956 to 1973; was appointed professor of music in 1963 and served at various times as chairman of the department of music and of the division of humanities. He was dean of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music from 1973 until his retirement in 1988. He was married on May 31, 1949, to Agnes Jensen.

He is survived by one daughter, Mary Howe, Albuquerque, N.M.; his mother Louise Mallonee and one sister, Rosemary Christensen, both of San Diego, Calif., and his friend David Wallace, San Francisco, Calif.